

## Response under 37 CFR 1.116 — Expedited Procedure **Examining Group**



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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner: Mutschler, Brian L.

Art Group: 1753

In re of Application of:

Joseph Wytman

Application No.: 09/825,648

Filing Date: April 4, 2001

For:

METHOD OF PROCESSING WAFERS USING A

COMPLIANT WAFER CHUCK (AS AMENDED)

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 20, 2003, please enter the following amendments. The amendments are believed to place the application in condition for allowance as further explained below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

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In re application of

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Serial No. 09/949,746

Filed September 10, 2001

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ECONOMICALLY VIABLE AND ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY CENTRAL PROCESSING OF HOME LAUNDRY

Group Art Unit: 1746

Examiner: Frankie L. Stinson

November 19, 2003

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Sir:

## **RESPONSE**

This communication is submitted in response to the office action of October 21, 2003. The purpose is to complete the response filed on August 14, 2003 to the prior office action.

The claims that are readable upon the elected specie of Figure 4 are claims 9 and 10.

Respectfully submitted,

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